

FINN LYNCH

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Finn Lynch for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Finn Lynch is a student at Three Creeks K-8 and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Finn Lynch is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Finn Lynch for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

HONORING COURT APPOINTED
SPECIAL ADVOCATES OF SAN
BENITO COUNTY

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the indispensable advocacy of a Central Coast organization that gives a voice to some of our most vulnerable community members. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of San Benito County improves the lives of children in the foster care system by pairing them with trained volunteers from the community who advocate for them and stand by their side as stable adults they can count on as they go through the chaos of the foster care system.

CASA and its devoted staff and team of volunteers are guided by the needs of children in need of someone to stand by them and ensure they are not alone as they face instability, fear, and unfamiliar surroundings. Since 1994, the organization has continued to be the only local nonprofit of its kind that recruits, trains, and supports community volunteers to serve as court appointed advocates for abused and neglected foster children throughout San Benito County. CASA of San Benito County exists so that abused and neglected children in protective care have the chance to become successful adults.

Thanks to the devoted advocates and the San Benito CASA team, these children have a voice as they navigate a tumultuous system. CASA provides these children the compassion, clarity, and care they so desperately need. And it is because of CASA that these children and youth have the tools they need to go on to successful adulthoods.

Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to recognize this treasured community organization that has protected and advocated for countless foster children and youth. I thank all of those who have given their time and re-

sources to help these children feel safe and succeed. I extend my gratitude to CASA San Benito's Board of Directors, Board Director Robert Marden, Executive Director Esther Curtice, and its devoted network of advocates.

ISAIAH JACKSON

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

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Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Isaiah Jackson for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Isaiah Jackson is a student at Mandalay Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Isaiah Jackson is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Isaiah Jackson for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE FORD
MOTOR COMPANY'S DONATION
OF 120 MILLION MASKS DURING
THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of the Ford Motor Company during the COVID-19 Pandemic. On Wednesday, April 7th they fulfilled their commitment to providing personal protective equipment to those in need, surpassing their original goal of donating 100 million face masks. To date, they've donated 120 million face masks for children and adults distributing them to nonprofits, schools, state and local officials, first responders, and Ford dealers all across the nation.

Face masks that are manufactured in Michigan by Ford-UAW employees are protecting Americans in all 50 states. UAW workers have been coming to work in the middle of the pandemic to ensure that their communities are safe. From manufacturing ventilators for hospitals and providing masks to the areas hardest hit by the pandemic, to donating Michigan-made masks for the 59th inaugural ceremonies, Ford's dedication to safety has protected millions during this crisis.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking the Ford Motor Company and their workers for their leadership in combating the coronavirus pandemic. Workers at the Willow Run Assembly Plant heard the call of their nation during World War II, and now 80 years after being the arsenal of democracy, Ford's factories became the arsenal of health. Michi-

gan workers met the moment when normal production shifted to manufacturing the personal protective equipment and ventilators that this country sorely needed. Ford's #FinishStrong and Project Apollo initiatives have saved lives and I congratulate them on reaching this milestone.

IN RECOGNITION OF HUNTINGDON
ROTARY CLUB

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Huntingdon Rotary Club on winning the Preservation Award from the Huntingdon County Chamber of Commerce. The award is given to a deserving group that restores, preserves and rehabilitates buildings and architecture to retain their historic character.

The Huntingdon Rotary Club has worked tirelessly to preserve the 1850 Pennsylvania Railroad Stone Arch Bridge located in the Huntingdon Borough. The multi-span stone bridge was once used by the first steam-powered train in Huntingdon. The club's preservation efforts included removing overgrown vegetation, adding a sign to memorialize the significance of the bridge, and beautifying the historic architecture.

The Huntingdon Rotary Club's dedication to preserving the community and its history is an important part of our community. I congratulate the club members on receiving this well-earned award and wish them continued success in their efforts.

CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY
MONTH AND HONORING NIKKI
FRIED

HON. STEPHANIE N. MURPHY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mrs. MURPHY of Florida. Madam Speaker, although Women's History Month recently concluded, it is never too late to honor Florida women who have made outstanding contributions to their community and to our country.

Today I rise to honor Nikki Fried.

Nikki was born and raised in Miami. She is a proud Gator, having received her bachelor's degree, her master's degree, and her law degree from the University of Florida. While attending UF, Nikki served as student body president and was a member of Florida Blue Key, the prestigious student leadership honor society.

Upon her graduation from law school, Nikki worked in the Alachua County Public Defender's Office, in private practice in South Florida, and then as a government consultant. In 2017, Nikki began her own government consulting firm to advocate for children and medical patients before the Florida Legislature.

In 2018, Nikki broke an important barrier. She was elected as the state's Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services, a cabinet position, becoming the first Jewish woman ever elected to statewide office in Florida. As